Application No. Applicant(s) 10/826,984 HARA ET AL. Notice of Allowability Examiner Art Unit Bot LeDynh 2862 -- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS. This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308. 1. This communication is responsive to _____. 2. The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-9. 3. The drawings filed on 19 April 2004 are accepted by the Examiner. 4. Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f). a) 🛛 Ali b) Some* c) None 1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received. 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. 09/812,791. 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)). * Certified copies not received: . . Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application. THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE. 5. A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient. 6. CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted. (a) I including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached 1) hereto or 2) to Paper No./Mail Date _____. (b) including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d). 7. DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL. Attachment(s) 1. Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) 5. Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152) 2. Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) 6. Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date 3. Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),

> Bot Ledynh Primary Examiner

7. Examiner's Amendment/Comment

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8. Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance

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Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The prior art of record does not, alone or in combination, teach or disclose "said switch circuit comprises first and second memory elements, said first phase of said signal given from the outside of said switch circuit, the output voltage of the output terminal of said magnetic field element is stored in said first memory element and the voltage stored in said second memory element is given to said amplifier and, in said second phase, the voltage stored in said first memory element is given to said amplifier and the voltage of the output terminal of said magnetic field element is stored in said second memory element"; "a switch of which one end is connected to the other end of said third memory element and which carries out opening and closing operations by means of said signal which comprises the first and the second phases given from the outside of said switch, wherein said switch closes in said first phase so that said third memory element stores an output voltage of said amplifier and said switch opens in said second phase so that a sum of said voltage stored in said third memory element and an output voltage of said amplifier is outputted to said signal output terminal (claim 1). "Storing said signal in a first memory element and inputting voltage stored in a second memory element to an amplifier in the first signal period: (c) outputting the signal according to the applied magnetic field strength through said magnetic field element in a second signal period, wherein polarities of the signals according to said applied magnetic field strength in the first signal period and the second signal period are mutually opposite (claim 7)."

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Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Bot LeDynh whose telephone number is 5712722231. The examiner can normally be reached on Maxiflex.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, N. Le can be reached on 5712722235. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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